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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

December, 2011

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....906

Number of items* contained in these cases1719

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....720

Number of items analyzed this month.....1231

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 8480

Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 93 days

Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed 233

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	637	8%
16-30 days old	1012	12%
31-50 days old	922	11%
Greater than 50 days	5909	70%
TOTAL	8480	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	32	3%
16-30 days	28	2%
31-50 days	103	8%
Greater than 50 days	1068	87%
TOTAL	1231	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	208
Cocaine	357
Heroin	200
Others	466
TOTAL	1231

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	8
Cocaine	38
Oxycodone	7
TOTAL	53

Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	21339
Items Analyzed	16843